

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of the claims replaces and supersedes all previous listings.
Please cancel claims 1–7, 16 and 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Canceled)
6. (Canceled)
7. (Canceled)
8. (Previously presented) A food product according to Claim 9, further comprising a mass of filling contained in the pair of half-shells.
9. (Previously presented) A food product, comprising a pair of half-shells, fitted together mouth to mouth and including a mass of filling, wherein at least one of the half-shells is a wafer half-shell having a mouth delimited by at least one annular surface and one or more side walls, in which the mouth annular surface and the surfaces of the side wall have a substantially smooth surface finish, wherein the outer surface of the side wall has a rough, continuous or discontinuous region which extends peripherally and is receded relative to the mouth annular surface of the half-shell.
10. (Previously presented) A food product comprising at least two wafer half-shells coupled one to the other along annular mating surfaces defining their mouth

profile, wherein said annular mating surfaces of each of said half-shells have centering means complementary one to the other and wherein at least one of said half-shells has an outer side wall with a rough, continuous or discontinuous region extending peripherally, which is receded relative to the mating annular surface of said half-shell.

11. (Original) A food product according to Claim 10, wherein said centering means comprise formations susceptible of mutual engagement.

12. (Previously presented) A food product according to Claim 10, wherein said centering means comprise annular mating surfaces having a toothed profile, a U-shaped profile, a V-shaped profile, a L-shaped profile, a Greek-key pattern profile or a zigzag profile.

13. (Previously presented) A food product according to Claim 10, wherein said centering means comprise tapered annular mating surfaces.

14. (Canceled).

15. (Original) A food product according to claim 10, wherein said annular mating surfaces and the surface of said centering means have a smooth surface finish.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously presented) A food product according to Claim 9, wherein the rough region is the surface resulting from the cutting of one or more radial walls connected to the side wall of the half-shell in a receded position relative to the annular surface defining the mouth of the half-shell.

19. (Previously presented) A food product according to Claim 10, wherein the rough region is the surface resulting from the cutting of one or more radial walls connected to the side wall of the half-shell in a receded position relative to the annular surface defining the mouth of the half-shell.